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Chairman Stump

I personally wanted to thank the Commissioners for sponsoring the Public Comment Session in Sun City last Tuesday afternoon.

I must admit, I was skeptical it would prove all that beneficial. I was wrong. For the most part, the citizen ratepayers presented themselves in a stellar manor offering some very interesting points that were eye opening.

As I intently listened to the numerous comments made, it became clear that the participants were validating the high percentage of data and comments against full consolidation received and docketed by the ACC. Not one Sun City Resident voiced a position in favor of "full consolidation". Interestingly, there were even a couple speakers from the Agua Fria District who stated their understanding and position against the full consolidation proposition; another surprise. There were also a number of well-made points made by other visitors from the Agua Fria areas.

The super majority of the presenters were against FC and brought to mind that regardless of what "any" company believes is in the "best interest" of its customers, if its customers "disagree", they would be insane to continue to move forward. Certainly, such a move would prove disastrous to the company's future feasibility as most of its customers would find a competitor sympathetic to the customers' view. Generally speaking, such a position taken by a company presupposes an ulterior motive benefiting the company. "In the long run", likely not a good move. Since we are dealing with a regulated monopoly our choice is forfeit, that's where the Commission comes in.

It is clear if the super majority, will of the people is followed, "full consolidation" would be immediately taken off the table thus diffusing the furor of the Sun Cities Citizen super majority. What is not so clear, is a viable solution for the Agua Fria District issues. The best solution is to stop the current process, close as accepted, the prior Commission decisions and simply order the full rate case next year...

Thank you for attending.

Regards.

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